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RESPONSE TO 8 APRIL 2003 OFFICE ACTION (37 CFR §1.111)

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In Response to the Office Action of April 8, 2003, reconsideration of the objections and/or rejections and further examination of the application are requested.

Petition for Extension of Time to Respond

The period for response is hereby extended TWO months to expire September 8, 2003 by this Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time. A form PTO-2038 authorizing a charge for \$343, comprising the petition fee of \$205 (37 CFR §1.17) plus extra claims fees in the amount of \$138, accompanies this Response.

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